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NUMBER 1600 PM 3474 ANSMITTAL LETTER AMENDMENT DOCKET SERIAL NO: FILING DATE: **EXAMINER:** GROUP ART UNIT: 09/288,344 April 8, 1999 L. Crane 1623 INVENTION: METHODS OF OPTIMIZING DRUG THERAPEUTIC EFFICACY FOR TREATMENT OF IMMUNE-MEDIATED GASTROINTESTINAL DISORDERS

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September 25, 2000 Date of Signature

Transmitted herewith is a Response to Final Office Action mailed April 25, 2000, in the above-identified application.

- X Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.
- $\mathbf{X}$  Petition for a two-month Extension of Time is enclosed (in duplicate).
- \_\_\_\_ No additional claims fee is required.
- X An additional claims fee is required and has been calculated as shown below:

## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	NUMBER AFTER AMEND- MENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		NUMBER OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENTED		RATE		FEE		
							SMALL ENTITY	OTHER ENTITY		SMALL ENTITY	OTHER ENTITY
TOTAL CLAIMS	39	-	46	_	0	х	\$9	\$18	=	\$0	\$
INDEPEN- DENT CLAIMS	6	-	5	-	0	×	\$39	\$78	=	\$39	\$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM		YES		<u> </u>		1	\$130	\$260	_	\$0	\$
						TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE;			\$39	\$	

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- $\underline{\mathbf{X}}$  A check in the amount of \$229.00 is enclosed, of which  $\frac{$190.00}{}$  covers the fee for a small entity two-month extension of time, and  $\frac{$39.00}{}$  covers the additional claim fee.
- **X** The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-0370. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
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  - **X** Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.
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Respectfully submitted,

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